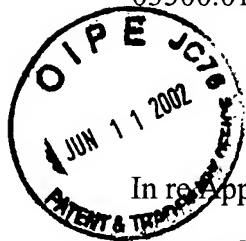


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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
YUJI OHNO, ET AL. ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 10/091,510 ) Group Art Unit: 2834  
Filed: March 7, 2002 )  
For: VIBRATION WAVE )  
DRIVING APPARATUS : June 11, 2002

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT(S)</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
09/197,425	Takashi Maeno, et al.	November 23, 1998	2834

A copy of the cited Application is enclosed.

REMARKS

JP '891 and U.S. '268 are discussed at page 1 and 2 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. EP '144 corresponds to JP '891.

### FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of an initial official action. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.


Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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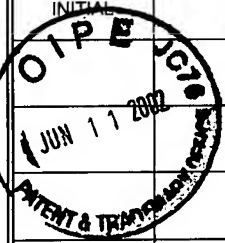
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